Merry Christmas

The Shakerite

Happy New Year

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Choir to Offer Seasonal Music At Tonight's Yuletide Concert

Shaker's A Cappella Choir, under the direction of Reynold Ellis, gives its first concert of the current school year tonight in the Large Auditorium. In this year's Christmas Concert, the choir will be aided both by members of the Modern Dance Club and by graduates of the past two years in presenting an interesting medley of pieces.

The distinguished eighty-five voice group opens the concert with a group of popular songs: *Let My Song Fill Your Heart*, *He's Got the Whole Wide World in His Hand*, and the always popular *Way Back Home*. Continuing the program will be four pieces in a more serious vein; these are Beethoven's *Choral Fantasia*, Wilson's *Alleluia*, *Ave Verum Corpus*, by Mozart, and *Misericordias Domini*, by Durante.

Following an intermission, the choir will go down into the orchestra pit, relinquishing the stage in a novel experiment to seven girls from the Modern Dance Club. These girls, who are Marianne Woodle, Joyce Slavin, Ronnie Loeser, Louanne Baylor, Ellen Levand, Joan Liebenthal, and Carol Finney, will perform as the choral group sings a Bach chorale, *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*, and Randall Thompson's *Alleluia*.

Four Christmas carols will be sung on the program: *What Child Is This*, *When the Crimson Sun Has Set*, *The Wassail Song*, and *A Coventry Carol*. As a grand finale, all the alumni of the 1953 and 1954 graduating classes present at the concert, who were members of the choir in those years, will be invited to go on stage to join with the present choral group in the singing of the famous Hallelujah chorus from Handel's immortal *Messiah*, which has been performed at each of the last two Christmas concerts.

If it's good music you like, you can be sure of hearing it tonight. Not only will the full choir perform, but there'll be solos, four-voice harmony, eight-voice harmony, and sixteen-voice harmony. Tickets are fifty cents. The time is 8:15. So, come one, come all!

Mr. Rupp's Message

For the Shaker Heights High School students, the staff, and their families, I wish a Happy Holiday Season!

I suggest that all of us stop sometime during this busy Glorious Season and meditate upon the characteristics of the Individual whose birth is being celebrated.

A Happy Vacation to all!

RUSSELL H. RUPP

Faculty and Families Meet, Eat, at Party

Good cheer and glad tidings were spread among Shaker's teachers and their families at the annual Faculty Christmas Party, December 15, where from 3:30 until 5, young and old alike were royally entertained by both first and second semester Social Council. Acting as baby sitters, the members of Social Council each adopted a child whom he amused throughout the entire party.

While their parents gathered in the Social Room, the youngsters had a grand time in the girls' gym, which was gayly decorated with standing Santa Claus balloons, later given as souvenirs. Here they participated in varied games and received party hats contributed by the art department. Santa Ken Drechsel passed out small gifts for the boys and girls donated by both the Social Council and the P.T.A. Magician Jon Shaw mystified the children with his repertoire of tricks, which included everything from the traditional "rabbit out of a hat" routine to a stock escape.

Meanwhile, Reynold Ellis of the music department led the adults in the singing of Christmas carols in the Social Room. Then refreshments were served, ending a grand party which will not be forgotten soon.

Sno Ball to Roll as Shakerites Welcome Alums Home Tomorrow

Amid glittering stars and snowflakes and to the music of Les Elgart, Shakerites will dance tomorrow at the Sno Ball. Sponsored by the Social Council, the dance will be from 8:30 to 12:00. The tickets are only $1.50 for Shaker's last social event of 1954.

To go with the dazzling decorations, students are asked to dress up in their holiday dresses and suits.

This dance is always a special success, partly because of the presence of the alums, home for the Christmas holidays.

The chairmen of the committees have done a good job in planning an evening that everyone will enjoy. Chairman of publicity is Dan Davis. John Havel, who heads the ticket committee, already has promised a tremendous turnout for the dance. Sprinkling stardust around the Girls' Gym will be the decorating committee, headed by Norita Wyse. Barb Berger heads refreshments and Janice Soffen and her committee are planning top-notch entertainment.

Don't forget to reserve tomorrow night, December 18, for a star-studded evening of dancing and fun.

Holiday Projects Occupy Y-Teeners

Along with doing their Christmas shopping, addressing greeting cards, and trimming trees, the Y-Teeners have been helping to make Christmas a happier time for needy boys and girls.

The sophomore girls with the help of their Service Chairman, Nancy Croley, created their own ornaments, and decorated a tree which was given to Babies' and Children's Division of University Hospitals. Later this year they plan to send kits to war-torn Korea.

Jane Stern and members of the junior chapter visited Friendly Inn with all the presents that club members had collected. Each girl brought a gift for a child from 4 to 6 and these were wrapped at the Christmas service party, Dec. 6.

The seniors planned a variety show which they put on for the Children's Fresh Air Camp. Eleanor Rand was in charge of this project.

Yuletide Assembly Has Holiday Spirit

Increasing the eager gaiety and festivity always found in those last few days before Christmas vacation was the Christmas Assembly on Thursday, December 16.

Under the direction of Miss Margot Klein, four Shakerites combined their efforts to present "The Borrowed Christmas," a modern Scrooge story by Ludwig Bemelmans. David Luke, Nancy Stromberg, Mike Greenberg, and Carol Green took part in the presentation, a group interpretation composed of both narrative and dialogue.

Of course, it wouldn't seem like Christmas without caroling. Mr. Reynold Ellis's A Cappella Choir set a fine example with the singing of four songs, and they were then joined by students and teachers.

Ham Heads Banquet; Hi-Y Feast to Be Dec. 28

Active members and Hi-Y Alumni will have a chance to get together during the Christmas vacation at the Hi-Y Annual Banquet held at the Heights YMCA on Tuesday, December 28. The program, starting at 6:30, will include dinner, a speaker, singing, and a get-together period during which the alumni will be able to renew old acquaintances and talk about their college life, and the active members will have a chance to meet and converse with the graduates. Tom Ham will be in charge of the entire program.

Senior Hi-Y, 'Santa Sam' Bring Xmas Joy To 42 Orphans at Annual Holiday Party

Last December 13 was a cold, snowy day when I walked down the steps of the Heights Y. M. C. A. with tears in my eyes. I had just waved goodbye to a busload of happy children who had been treated to a wonderful Christmas party by the senior members of Hi-Y. I can still recall the children as they came—shy, some smiling, a few obviously afraid, and others raring to go. Each child was assigned to a certain couple and the various groups began wandering off to the ping-pong tables, or the comic book stand. One boisterous fellow even perched himself upon the shoulders of Hank Dimlich and calmly announced that he should "giddy-up." When dinner rolled around each child found his seat between that of the boy and girl who were taking care of him, and I felt like bawling when I heard one small child call Sarge Karch "Daddy," and Lucrecia Bolt "Mommy."

A magician had been obtained for the afternoon's entertainment, but his act was only made more hilarious when one small prankster began revealing all of his tricks before he could attempt them. Soon shrieks of delight heralded the arrival of Santa Claus—Art Greenbaum, complete with red suit, white beard, and pillows. Under the gaily decorated tree were many beautifully wrapped presents, one for each child there. And when those children left I could see the tears rolling down the cheeks of the girls who had been mothers for an afternoon, and sad looks upon the faces of the boys who had been fathers.

This year too, Hi-Y will continue the practice which began in 1950 by giving a party for 42 children obtained from Beechbrook home on Lander Road, and the University Settlement House on Fleet Road just off Broadway. The party will cost the senior members of Hi-Y approximately $140 to $150.

These children are not orphans, but Sam Kinney is probably the only Santa who will bring them presents. Children at Beechbrook

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Congratulations

Congratulations to Dick Sanders, Jim Breitweg, Miss Hollister, and the Social Council for conducting such a far-reaching and progressive social program this year. It is good to see the snack bar used after school on Tuesday afternoons. It is also commendable that many open houses are being planned for the next semester, especially after basketball games. For being ever alert to the needs of the students, the Social Council and its officers deserve our appreciation.

Let's Share the Work!

There seems to be a serious lack at Shaker High School—a lack of responsibility. Someone is always complaining that a school dance was dull or the decorations weren't exciting. These complaints are sometimes valid, and for good reason.

There are too few students who are willing to do the work. The very few people who complain about school functions are the ones who, when placed on a committee, never show up. How many of us have seen committee meetings where a pathetically meager amount of people come and of the few that come, one or two do the actual work. If everyone at Shaker was willing to share the load, everyone's work would be lighter and we'd all enjoy our activities a good deal more.

The next time you complain about a dance or any other school event, ask yourself how much time you were willing to put in to make it a success.

Your name on a committee list is an important responsibility, not just to Shaker, but to yourself. And you might be surprised at how much fun you could have at a school function that you took part in planning.

Letter to the Editor

To many concerned people:

I realize that many people have been quite concerned about the Student Council's demerit system and the detention system. It is obvious that many students do not understand the demerit system. I would first like to answer two questions. First—the detention system does not supplant the demerit system, and second—the student body was consulted last year when the Council was discussing new additions to the demerit system.

In March of last year Mr. Zednik talked to the Council concerning the increased number of students cutting class and arriving late to school each day. He stated that many students no longer respected the demerit system as it stands and that these same students continually were offenders. Mr. Zednik placed the problem in the hands of the Student Council and he asked for suggestions from the floor. There were many solutions suggested by this group. This problem then was turned over to a committee consisting of the demerit panel and other students, since they more fully understand the situation. This committee reviewed all the suggestions and eventually made a report on its recommendations for corrective measures. The proposed recommendations were all ratified by the Student Council at its following meeting. The memorandum which was then sent around to the homerooms merely stated that the additional policies had been approved by the Council. It did not state what those policies were. So it is understandable that you students did not know about the detention system, and for this reason no one had the right to criticize detentions.

Detentions are being issued by the attendance officers to those people who cut classes and are late to school. In addition to the detentions, the attendance officer will also hand out demerits. The number of detentions is entirely up to the discretion of the issuing officer. It is the prerogative of any other teacher to hand out any punishment to students for either class conduct or homeroom conduct. This is not part of the detention system.

I will send a list of all the additions to the demerit system around to each homeroom. I hope that this will answer your questions. *John Glick*

Calendar of Events

Friday, Dec. 17	**8:00—Choir Concert**
	Basketball at Lakewood
Saturday, Dec. 18	**2:00—Euclid Relays**
	8:30—Christmas Alumni Dance
Sunday, Dec. 19	**Hi-Y Orphan Party at Y. M. C. A.**
Tuesday, Dec. 28	**6:30—Hi-Y Annual Banquet at Y. M. C. A.**
	8:00—Basketball at Heights
	Shaker vs. Collinwood
Monday, Jan. 3	**Back to School**
Wednesday, Jan. 5	**Student Forum Assembly**
Thursday, Jan. 6	**Wrestling at John Adams**
Friday, Jan. 7	**Rally, Boys' Gym**
	Swim—Sandusky, here
	Basketball at Heights
Saturday, Jan. 8	**Swim—Kent State Relays**
Tuesday, Jan. 11	**Wrestling at Maple Heights**
Wednesday, Jan. 12	**11:00—Assembly**
	3:45—Swim at Euclid
Thursday, Jan. 13	**3:45—Wrestling, West High, here**
Friday, Jan. 14	**Swim—Shaw, here**
	Basketball, Parma
	8:30—Social Room, Open House
Saturday, Jan. 15	**7:00—Basketball, Lutheran, here**
	10:00—Social Room (tentative)

M is for men—just a few will be fine
E is for excitement—a wonderful time
R is for rhythm—we'll dance on a cloud
R is for rendezvous—away from the crowd
Y is for year—the old and the new

C is for cocktails—no more than two
H is for hours—to keep so late
R is for romance—that New Year's Eve date
I is for "invites"—may the good fortune last
S is for studies—a thing of the past
T is for tree—so shining and bright
M is for mistletoe—I'll catch him tonight
A is for grade cards—I'd like about three
S is for Santa—please don't forget me?

"Hurray—sixteen delectable days of vacation. Isn't it divine, Nance?"

"I still can't quite believe it, Judy. After all our waiting and counting the days, Christmas is finally here!"

"The 'Sno Ball' at school tomorrow night will 'start the ball rolling' for all the holiday events that lie ahead for Shakerites. **Marcy Atkins** will be there with **Bob Markey**, and **Larry Gould** is taking **Marcia Boukalik.** Another twosome planning to attend is **Jan James** and **Bob Gould,** while **Ken Berns** will be squiring **Bev Bell.**

"Happy Christmas birthday to **Carol Schonberg,** a December 25 baby."

"A few of the senior girls are going to a formal at the Alcazar Wednesday night. **Emily Carl** will be there with **Jim Breitweg,** and **Marilyn Wick,** with **Earl Seidman.** Two more couples are **Leigh Kwait** and **Marlene Marshall** and **Cathy Berger** and **Dave Broderick."**

"Sunday, the Senior Hi-Y is giving a Christmas party for underprivileged children. **Noel Guillozet** is taking **Marilyn Mighton, Tom Piwonka** will escort **Marge Haag,** and **Mike Wipper** will be there with **Sheryl Wiesell.** It's sure to be a success and will brighten up Christmas for some deserving boys and girls."

A few Shakerites hitting the road for the holidays are: **Ellie Friedman** and **Anita Baden** to Cincinnati, **Keith Davis** and **Neil Cohen** to Duke, and **Janet Meyer, Phil Pier, Brian Switzer,** and **Sandy Schneiderman** to Florida. **Mike Blane, Walt Freedman, Dick Weiss,** and **"Mouse" Margolis** are heading for New York City.

To climax a perfect vacation, Shaker students will be celebrating on the BIG NIGHT, December 31. Among those planning to usher in the New Year together are: **Carol Finney** and **Curt Telzrow, Jane Killpack** and **Jack Doyle,** home from Notre Dame, **Sue Silverman** and **Larry Gusman,** and **Mary West** with **Dick Wilson.**

Congratulations, **Mr. Goodman,** on your coming marriage!

The Shakerite needs your support. Since this is a six-page issue, we have spent more money for your reading enjoyment. One main source of income is your tax stamps. The drive ends January 7.

SAVE YOUR STAMPS, SAVE THE SHAKERITE!

Three platters share the spotlight this week in our Christmas special "Dream Disc" nomination. Eartha Kitt has put out a new *Santa Baby* and the Crewcuts have a sure hit in their *Dance Mr. Snowman. But Surely* recorded by Gordon Jenkins is bound to hit the top.

Pat On the Back Department

A special congratulations to **Mr. Ellis** and the choir for their wonderful performances at Public Square and Plymouth Church. Don't forget the choir concert tonight. The Modern Dance club will be performing as an added feature.

Want Ads—Attention Santa

Wanted: "No Doze" pills for New Year's Eve and Murine for tired eyes!

Wanted: A bottle of aspirin for **Liz Deutsch** to cope with any headaches she may have from the '55 *Gristmill.* Rumor has it that this yearbook will be the best Shaker's ever seen.

Last but not least, WE WANT all of you, Shakerites, to have a super duper vacation!

H is for "her"—my heart takes a dive
A is for aroma— Chanel No. 5
P is for presents — under the tree
P is for parties—the fun that they'll be
Y is for youth—nothing like it 'tis said

N is for noon—when I'll hop out of bed
E is for eggnog—to herald the New Year
W is for whispers—so soft in her ear

Y is for yuletide—the season of joy
E is for elation — of each girl and boy
A is for *Auld Lang Syne*—we see the year leave
R is for remembrance 'til next New Year's Eve

Students Help Needy To Have Merry Xmas

As in previous years, the students of Shaker High through the Christmas Welfare Drive have made it possible for 42 needy families throughout Cuyahoga County to enjoy a happy Christmas and for their children to find toys in their stockings on Christmas morning.

This annual project was sponsored by the Student Council which received a list of the names of 42 families, one for each homeroom in the school, with their case histories from the Cuyahoga County Welfare Department. This list was posted in the Student Council office, where each Student Council representative selected one family from the list and discussed the family's situation and needs with his homeroom. The homeroom then donated money and gifts for their particular family.

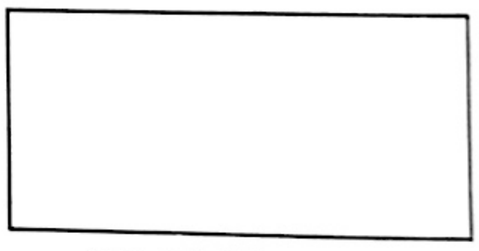
The drive this year was conducted during the week of December 6. The money raised from the Christmas project was sent to the families through the County Welfare Department and is being spent under the supervision of that department to buy gifts, clothing, and perhaps even Christmas dinner for a family which, without your help, would have none of the things we take for granted as a part of Christmas. In this way Shakerites can enjoy their own Christmas with the knowledge that they have made it possible for others to have a happy holiday.

Thespians Initiate 9 Drama-Devotees

Nine new names were added to the list of members in the National Thespian Society on Saturday evening, December 11, when the initiation took place. The formal ceremony was held in the small auditorium at 7:30 with Miss Margot Klein, assisted by Sue Lowry, in charge. Following the initiation there was a party at the home of Mike Smukler, president of Thespians.

The new members of the honorary drama organization are Jack Brokenshire, Mike Greenberg, Bill Pomeranz, Gordon Baldwin, John Frankel, Carol Green, Louise Rose, Martin Carter and Chuck Sanford.

In order to gain membership in Thespians, it is necessary to earn fifty points. These may be acquired by working two nights on one major production, helping on crews or committees, directing, acting, ushering, or selling tickets. These people do not necessarily have outstanding ability, but must show a great deal of interest.



White Aardvark in a snowstorm.

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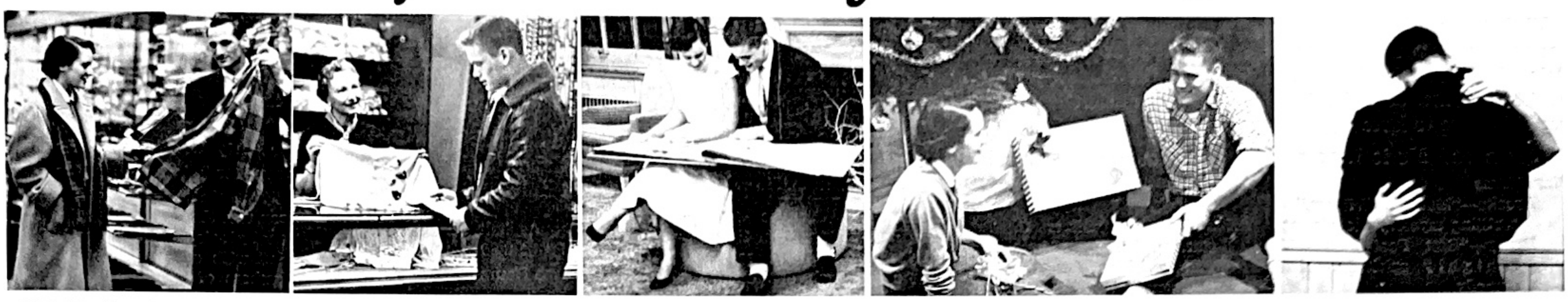

Dick Morris and Debbie Davies, faced with a problem familiar to all of us, attempt to select Christmas presents for each other. At the Sno Ball we find Debbie and Dick engrossed in the Social Council's scrapbook. Before attending Church on Christmas Eve, Debbie and Dick exchange presents under a glittering tree. "HAPPY NEW YEAR, Debbie!"

Wrong

Our Reporter's Ambition Is to Wreck Tradition

Song

T'was the night before deadline and all through the town not a creature was stirring excepting poor me who was up very late trying to get all my homework and my Shakerite article done in time for the next day and it was getting me down. The children were nestled all snug in their beds.

While visions of large red F's on exam papers not to mention the look on Harold's face if I didn't hand this in on time danced through my head.

My brain had run dry and I was trying to pump it,

When all of a sudden I got tired of trying to be funny and decided I would just write down and hand in all the little songs I had been singing all day and if Harold didn't like it he could lump it.

A coward's way out of a hard situation;

But here goes anyway and any resemblances to carols living or dead is your imagination.

This one is called "Stop Your Whining and See the Silver Lining."

"God save ye, struggling Shakerites,
Shake off your deep dismay;
A two week liberation's coming
Some not too distant day;
'Twill save us all from cracking up—
At least that's what they say—
Oh, tidings of comfort and joy.
(Comfort and joy?)
Oh, tidings of comfort and joy."

Or, how's this?

"Jingle bells, jingle bells,
Can't you hear them too?
Or is it that I'm going bats?
I leave it up to yo-ou-
Homework done? Silly one,
How you make me laugh;
I warn you lest you be surprised,
This line's not going ot rhyme."

(O.K., if you don't like it, you try putting staff or graph or calf into the sentence.) Never mind, we'll try again. Inspired by the old French carol, "Come with Torches, Jeannette, Isabella," I call this "Seniors' Song Around the Middle of December," or "Arson in the Old Place."

"Deck the halls with boughs of kindling, Fa la la la la la la la la la la
Hopes of passing now are dwindling, Fa la la la la la la la la
Don we now our natures vile, Fa la la la la la la la la
(Schizophrenics all the while, Ha ha ha ha, ha ha ha ha!)
See the blazing school before us, Fa la la la, la la la la
Strike a match and join the chorus, Fa la la la, la la la la
Follow me in merry measure, Fa, la la-la la la-la la la
Burning schools is lovely pleasure, Fa la la la, la la la la.
Fast away the impulse passes, Fa la la la, la la la la
What the heck, I'll stick to classes, Fa la la la, la la la la
We'll try these last few days to weather, Fa la la-la la la-la la la
We'll hang apart or all together, Fa la la la la, la la la la

I. Druther Nottell

New Contest

Ink Pinks

The word game INK PINK consists of briefly worded questions or definitions which you must answer with two rhyming words. For example a "sound snooze" would be a DEEP SLEEP. Answers may be INKY PINKIES (two syllables in each word) or INKITY PINKITES (three syllables), but they must rhyme. Dashes after a definition indicate the number of syllables in the answer. Answers on Page 5

1. A finer woolen garment — —
2. A misplaced dramatic production —
3. A sad hobo —
4. A wet hobo —
5. A sweet smelling hobo — —
6. A forlorn boy —
7. Randall Park or ThistleDown (two answers) —
8. A yearly publication of a handbook — —
9. An engagement that lasts until 2.30 a. m. —
10. A deaf and dumb beast —
11. A better place to eat — —
12. Arid dessert —
13. A feeble man —
14. Brilliant illumination —
15. A feminine nut-cracker —

Dads' Club Panel Discusses Draft

Shaker Dads' Club members and high school junior and senior sons were invited to hear a panel discussion on December 7, 1954, on the Universal Training and Service Act, which was recently passed. This meeting was the first general one of the year and was held in the small auditorium.

The Universal Training and Service Act states that all able-bodied men will have to serve at some time in the armed services. This required service will involve many of the members' sons.

To answer questions on this topic, a panel was assembled. Serving on it were Arthur A. Beduhn, chairman of Local Draft Board 236, and an officer from the state selective service in Columbus. Others who spoke at the meeting were Colonel Laurence J. Elbert, in charge of the R.O.T.C. programs at Case Institute of Technology and Oberlin College; Major Don Campbell of the National Guard, and Colonel F. E. Hammond of our faculty.

Merry Christmas, Shakerites

Visions of Almost Everything Dance in Shakerites' Heads

As the holiday season is approaching and everyone's getting wrapped up in its colorful and rousing spirit, all good little Shakerites are beginning to dream of Christmas presents. After making a survey of what heads the gift lists of our students this Yuletide season, here are some of the things that seem to be most desirable.

New cars are up there at the top of many lists. **Mr. Reynold Ellis** would like a new Cadillac, for the ashtrays are full in his old one. An Oldsmobile "Starfire" would make **Joe Hersh** happy, while **Mike Preisler** says that a Ford "Thunderbird" would put stars in his eyes.

However, there are some Shakerites who have the cars but who are lacking a few accessories. "Cool cat" **Dave Schneider** hopes that Santa will bring him some fender skirts. **Larry Gusman** wants some white sidewalls. **Marcie Atkins,** who has the car and all the accessories, is lacking just one detail—a driver's license. That's her Christmas wish.

Those rare Shakerites who devote all their time to studies also have their Christmas wishes. **Dick Horowitz's** is to find at least one easy biology test in his stocking. **Nancy Wilkoff** hopes for an "A" in that subject. (Please take notice, Mr. Linscheid.) **Nancy Caito** hopes that Santa will bring her a litter of pet hamsters so that she can get to work on her semester project for biology.

Sid Wolfe hopes to receive a copy of the 1955 Scholastic Aptitude Test. **Suzanne Jacobson** wants Santa to bring her a French poodle so that she can practice her French pronunciation on him. **Judy Klein's** one Christmas wish is that the geometry course be eliminated from the Shaker Heights educational program.

Sue Lowry is hoping that she will get an assurance of her spring trip to Princeton U. Speaking of colleges, **Connie Lewis** and **Andrea Williams** wouldn't mind finding some of those ha-a-a-a-nd-some college men around their trees. **Sue Lindsay** won't go along with them, she's perfectly content with high school boys. **Liz Wright** wants a box of faithful boyfriends while **Louise Abrams** and **Roma Sims** say they'll settle for just one.

While the gals are out man-hunting those Shaker Heights Romeos are doing just the opposite. **Ken Huszar, Jim Breitweg,** and **Mike Gavlak** are hoping that Santa will leave them some sharp females in their stockings. **Vic Samuelson** won't settle for just one girl, he is in high hopes of finding a harem around his tree on Christmas morn.

New clothes are any girl's dream any season, especially this one. **Anne Herzog** would like a "Cashmere Christmas." **Mary West** hopes that she will find a new sweater on Dec. 25. (Is this a gentle hint to Dick Wilson?)

Weight conscious sophomores **Carole Goldman, Christy Klein,** and **Joyce Neiditz** want a scale that doesn't exceed 100 pounds. Appearance conscious **Linda Glick, Jackie Seskin,** and **Linda Sugarman** want their braces permanently removed.

Other miscellaneous items on the lists of Shakerites include the following: **Mrs. Eva Mae Barrow** would like some leisure time, **Mary Jane Price** wants George Gobel's "dirty bird," **Joyce Ferguson** would like a doodle-y-boop, **Audrey Tepper,** a wallet with a **Bill** in it, and **Ralph Evans** and **Jim Pollak** would like starting positions on the Varsity and JayVee "fives" respectively.

"Willie" Marchand is looking forward to a mathematical Christmas —his present should figure about 36"—24"—35".

Dick Lazzaro wants the New Year to get off to a good Stott. **Mary Jo Chiara** would like a gift certificate at Theresa's.

First prize for the most practical Xmas wish, **Mr. Burton Randall** who wants COLD, hard, cash.

May Santa Claus be good to you and may be grant all your Christmas wishes and, as **Dick Wilson** puts it, "Let's all have a **Merry** Christmas." **Sue Silverman**

(Hi-Y Party, Continued from Page 1)

live in cottages with 15 children and a house mother and father in each house. They attend Orange School, but their real homes are no longer maintained for a variety of reasons. They do spend Christmas at home or with relatives or good friends, but it will not be as happy a Christmas as your brothers and sisters their age will enjoy. Children sent by the University Settlement House are living at home, but most of their families are on relief and the children receive most of their necessities from the Aid to Dependent Children. Their Christmas will not be an abundant one either. Their Christmas will depend upon the charity they receive. So, you see, senior Hi-Y just takes one day — December 19 — out of their Christmas vacations, and make it really count. **Nancy Williams**

Community Chest Award Goes to Nancy Williams

The Community Chest of Cleveland awarded Honorable Mention to the news story written by Nancy Williams of the Shakerite. Awards were made on December 10, for "excellence in scholastic journalism in the presentation of the Community Chest theme."

Students from both Junior High and Senior High newspapers could send entries in any of the contest's following fields: Feature Stories, News Stories, Interviews of the Chest Volunteers, Editorials, Photographs, or Over-all Coverage of Chest Activities. Sponsors of the contest were very pleased at the great interest and significant contributions made by student journalists.

Formal Shoes
Silver - Gold - Satin
High—Medium—Low Heels
MAMETS - SHOES
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What Can I Do Over Vacation? Maybe We Can Help . . .

With two weeks of vacation ahead, there will be many opportunities for you to enjoy your favorite type of entertainment. Below is a schedule of what is going on in Cleveland during the next two weeks. Just pick the category which interests you, and you'll be sure to have a good time.

Drama and Music Lovers

Play House

Brooks—"Material Witness," a thrilling mystery melodrama.
Drury—"Best Foot Forward," a highly spirited musical comedy.
Euclid-77th — "My Three Angels," a comedy about three convicts who take over the local shopkeeper's household.
Prices: $2.00 weekdays, $2.25 Saturday.

Karamu

Proscenium — "Pal Joey," a Broadway hit musical.
Arena—"Thieves Carnival," a hilarious comedy.
Prices: $.75 weekdays, $1.00 weekends.

Hanna

"The Dark Is Light Enough," a new play starring Catherine Cornell and Tyrone Power. Dec. 20 to 25.

Severance Hall

Twilight Concerts, 4:30, Dec. 19 and 26.
Cleveland Symphony, George Szell conducting and Joseph Gingold, soloist. Dec. 23 and 25.

Music Hall

Princeton Triangle Show, a full length musical with an all male cast. Dec. 29 only.

Cinema Fanciers

Hippodrome—Dec. 25, "No Business Like Show Business," starring Marilyn Monroe, Johnny Ray, Ethel Merman, Dan Dailey, Mitzi Gaynor, and Donald O'Connor. Cinemascope and color.

Allen—Dec. 25, "Silver Chalice," starring Virginia Mayo, Jack Palance, Pier Angeli, and Cleveland's Paul Newman.

R.K.O. Palace—Dec. 17, "Hansel & Gretel," a movie using only puppets.
Dec. 25, Walt Disney's "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea," starring Kirk Douglas, Paul Douglas and Paul Lucas.

Loew's State—Dec. 17, "Reap the Wild Wind," starring John Wayne, Susan Hayward, and Ray Milland.
Dec. 23, "Three Ring Circus," starring Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis.

Sports Fans

Stadium—Browns vs. Detroit Lions, Dec. 19.

Arena—Barons vs. Buffalo, Dec. 26; Barons vs. Springfield, Dec. 29; Barons vs. Providence, Jan. 1. Prices: $.85 to $3.00. Ladies $.35 on Dec. 29.

Those on an Unlimited Budget

Vogue Room — Ling Merlon Ensemble, violinists and the Delrubio Triplets, singers. Dec. 20 to Jan.

Those Who Splurged Last Year

Radio and TV coverage of Time's Square festivities.

Have a nice vacation, Shakerites!

Maurice Zilber

Faculty Welcomes Vacation; Staff Members Relax, Travel

Hey, Shakerites, did you ever stop to think that the students aren't the only ones who have today marked in red on their calendars. They'd never admit it, but the teachers look forward to Christmas vacation as much as we do. Although most of the faculty are planning out-of-town holidays, some will stay right here in the vicinity.

For instance, Mr. Harbourt, intent on increasing his aperceptive mass, is going to spend his vacation making up a Q. T. E. A. Q. (Quiz to End All Quizzes) for his CEP classes. (You think he's joking, don't you? Ha, ha, we know better).

Miss Sellers is making plans to go to Oklahoma, to visit a friend who teaches at the University. Mrs. Sacha is having a Heights High School teacher for Christmas dinner (that wonderful Christmas spirit). Later on during the vacation she hopes to visit her nieces who live way down south in Arlington, Virginia.

Some of the faculty will visit relatives. Mrs. Keating is going to New York to visit her sisters. Mr. Rupp will spend Christmas with his father. Mrs. Finch is going to Delaware, Ohio, to visit some relatives, and Mr. Senft will travel to Cincinnati.

Mr. Heinlen and Mr. Morris are really gluttons for punishment. They are taking 35 Shaker boys on a trip to New York. They are really going to live it up and see all the sights, including Cinerama and Radio City.

No matter what the teachers do or where they go, here's hoping they have a good time. Merry Christmas, faculty!

Here's Mr. Harbourt adding to his "Aperceptive Mass." Note to history and C. E. P. students: he is preparing a Q. T. E. A. Q (quiz to end all quizzes).

Gov't Classes Hear Talk By Family Service Worker

On December 9, Miss Nancy Uebelmesser, director of public relations for the Family Service Association, addressed the C E P and government classes. She told of the work of the Family Service Association, which is not a charity but benefits people in all walks of life, and pointed out the ways in which it helps families in Cuyahoga County solve their psychological problems.

The Sophomore Beat

Patrolled by Pete

Department of Pleasant Memories: the Harvest Hop, with Shaker's alums back in our midst. Geeee—even we sophs were impressed. 'Spose we'll ever get there?

Not satisfied with your conversational Spanish? For that special, authentic accent, better see **Bob McLean.** He acquired his direct—from those Kute Kuban Kids at Kulver.

American Beauties have nothing on **Barbie Dupont** in the rosy hue department. Kinda refreshing to see a gal blush, don'tcha think?

Today's biology lesson: if you don't believe there are mosquitoes in December, buzzzz **Audrey Tepper.** She has the welts to prove it—

Going to the movies? Titles of recent pictures might give you a chuckle or two if you apply 'em in the right places. F'r instance:

The Egyptian—**Dennis Ganim**
Knock on Wood — Before the next Algebra exam
The Human Jungle — Boys' locker room
Beau Brummell—**Bill Kaplan**
Man With a Million — **Spence Kramer**
A Woman's World — Girls' locker room
Pushover—**Ham Loughrey** for **Susie Kuhn**
Suddenly—It's report card time
Executive Suite — **Mr. Rupp's** office
Badman's Territory—**Zip's** detention
Johnny Apollo—**Pete Bergman**
Killer Leopard—Grappler **Jerry Jaffe**
The High and the Mighty—The Senior Class
Behind the Eight Ball — **Kay Wolf**
Susan Slept Here—At Mr. and Mrs. Weber's
Student Prince—**Mike Partington**
Betrayed—That "surprise" quiz
Knights of the Round Table—4th period 206 Club
The Asphalt Jungle — Parking lot at 3:30 p. m.
Three Hours to Kill—9 a. m. to noon
Roar of the Crowd — As our JayVee basketball five rolls up another in the win column
A Star Is Born—**Louise Rose** in "Harvey"
The Last Time I Saw Paris—**Dave Judd**
On the Waterfront—JayVee swimming team
Silver Lode—**Mark Perry** staggering under his swimming trophies
Dangerous Mission — Going to class unprepared
The Golden Coach—**Bill Blanca's** heap
High Noon—Mmm—lunch!
Drum Beat—**Dick Inglis**
Phfft—Soph allowances
There's No Business Like Show Business—Xmas Assembly
White Christmas — What all sophs are dreaming of.

Noticed the decrease in pedestrians lately? Slowly, but inevitably, our class is becoming mechanized. Each week several of us enroll in Club 16. Happy Day!

Looking forward to:—Xmas vacation and Santa Claus. **Not looking forward to:** — Keeping New Year resolutions—and exams.

See ya next year! (If H.R. renews my contract.)

Spanish Club, Choir Celebrate Christmas

With cries of "Felices Pascuas" and "Hasta la vista, amigos," members of the Spanish Club ended their annual Christmas fiesta. Planned by vice-president Eleanor Rand and the program committee, the party was held on Thursday, December 9, in the Social Room.

The main attraction of the afternoon was the breaking of the traditional pinata, a gay, fantastic figure filled with candy, fruits and nuts. Members of the club were blindfolded and given a stick with which to strike the pinata. Finally, someone broke the container, and each member got his share of the contents. Prizes were awarded for bingo, and the festive fiesta included the singing of Spanish carols.

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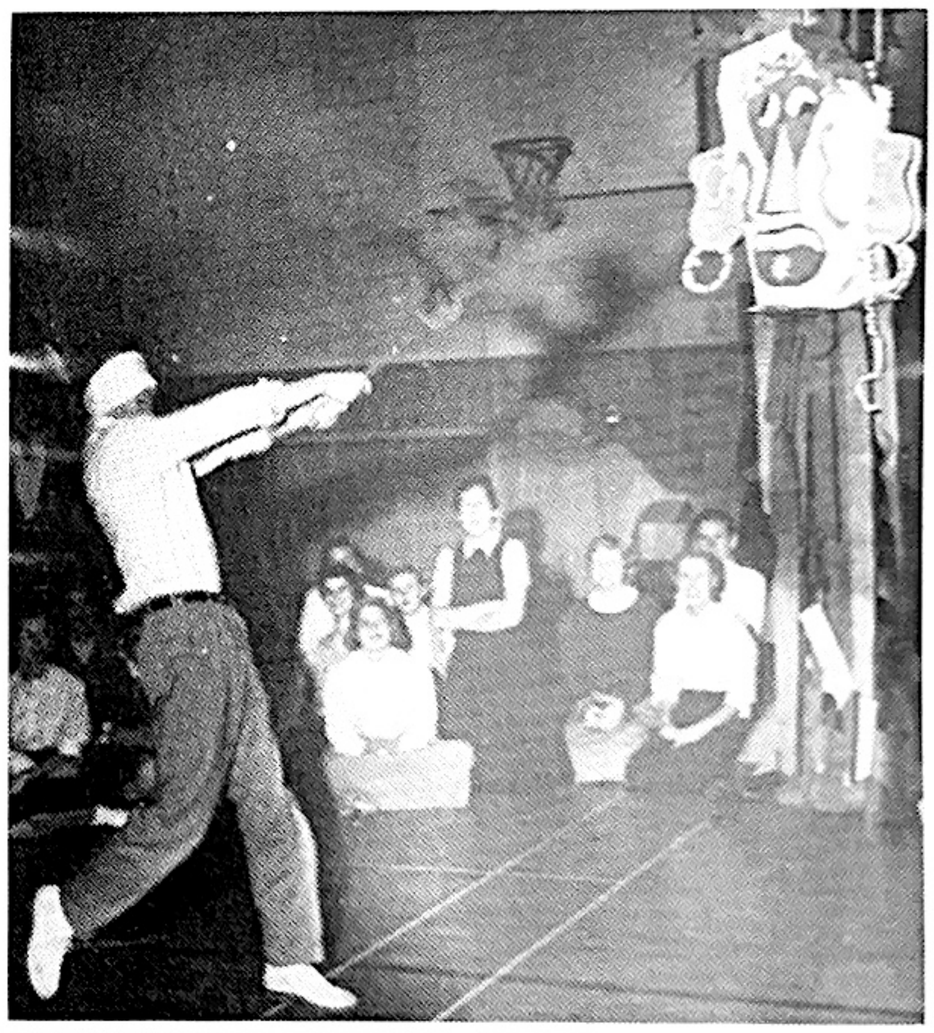
Traveling has become an important activity for the choir, which has performed throughout the city during the last few weeks. Carols were sung at Public Square on November 29, and at the ceremony in which the Christmas lights at Shaker Square were turned on. Christmas selections were also offered at Plymouth Church on December 14, and at the Christmas Assembly at the high school.

Singing at Canterbury Country Club and at Grace Lutheran Church has occupied the time of the Chanticleers, who must also particiate in choir activities.



This picture was taken last Thursday afternoon at the Spanish Club Fiesta. Ken Huszar swings vainly at the pinata. The spectators wait expectantly for the shower of candy and prizes that will descend on them if Kenny succeeds in breaking the pinata. By the way, Kenny made it on his next swing and everyone went home happy—and full.

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Have you been confronted recently by eager Shakerites urging you to buy shares of stock? Or perhaps someone has tried to sell you a hurricane lamp or a trousers-hanger. These enthusiastic salesmen are all members of Junior Achievement, a growing organization sponsored by local industries, through which teenagers "learn by doing."

Junior Achievement is not a club. It is a group of actual businesses which are owned, directed and operated entirely by high school students. By doing everything themselves, from production, selling and advertising down to sweeping the shop, young people gain practical business experience and a feeling of teamwork that will help them the rest of their lives. They are advised by volunteers from their sponsor companies.

Each group has approximately fifteen members and meets once a week for an hour, during which time all business, including the actual manufacturing of the product, must be taken care of. The rest of the week, members sell their product in an effort to finish the year with a profit. All companies, whether they make a profit or not, are automatically liquidated at the end of the year.

In addition to the salary which all members receive, many awards are given. Among these are cash scholarships and tuition grants.

Junior Achievement started over thirty-five years ago in Springfield, Mass., and was first organized by the late Horace Moses, the president of the Strathmore Paper Company. Since then it has spread to cities all over the nation.

Some of the Shaker members of Junior Achievement are: Tom Halter, Elaine Sills, Ted Blair, Bill Blanca, Carol Young, Lois Wertheim, Jim Black, Ralph Kennedy, David Barhyte, Linda Sugarman, Joanne Crume, Pat Fredrix, Tom Waldman, Dale Lehmann, Michael Preisler, Temple McCourt, Carla Nagy, Lew Zipkin, Donald Sterrett, David Weingart, Randy Kennedy, Janet Jones, Janice Soffen, Walt Jurek, Jerry Rardin, Roger Benjamin and Nancy Kramer.

Shaker Scores

Basketball

Shaker 54 ..... Brush 46
Shaker 30 ..... Euclid 47

Swimming

Shaker 59 ..... Heights 19
Shaker 47 ..... Lakewood 28
Shaker 43 ..... Kent State High 23

Wrestling

Shaker 27 ..... Benedictine 14
Shaker 35 ..... John Marshall 10

J. V. Basketball

Shaker 49 ..... Brush 24
Shaker 62 ..... Euclid 57

Chess

Shaker 9½ ..... East High 2½

Deadline Bulletin! Swim, Mat Victories

Five Shakerites registered pins, as the Raiders swamped John Marshall, 35-10, in the season's second outing. John Conner, 133; George Brown, 138; Tom Comella, 154; Larry Amato, 175, and Dick Morris, heavyweight, were the shining quintet, with Morris the only repeater from the previous meet.

Conner downed his man with the fastest pin of the year in 28 seconds of the first period. Elroy Kirsh, 165, and Jerry Weiss, 112, won decisions while Mel Levine, 120, and Matt VonBaeyer, 127, drew.

The swimming team continued their string of victories by beating Kent State University High, 43-23. Shaker countered six firsts to overwhelm the visitors. Ab Glickman swam the 100-yard breaststroke in 1:15.0 to win his specialty. Mike Whipper splashed to victory in the 100-yard freestyle, while Tom Pecsok took the 200-yard freestyle. The 180-yard medley relay team of Mark Perry, Harry Hattenbach, and Jim Adler; Tom Ham in the 40-yard freestyle, and Bob Stevens in the diving also won.

Corky Maniaci goes up for 2 points against brush.

Checkmate! Chess-ters Tame Champs; Launch Chase for City Crown

The Shaker chess team started its season successfully by defeating East High, last year's city champions, 9½-2½, in their first interscholastic chess match of the year.

The victory established Shaker as a strong contender for this year's city title. By beating Cleveland Heights and Cathedral Latin, Shaker could become the east side champions, and then meet the top team on the west side for the championship.

The Shaker chess team is made up of the eight best players in the chess club sponsored by Hugh Hawthorne of the Mathematics Department. Begun only a year ago, the club now has thirty-five members.

The chess team's "varsity eight" are: team captain, Jim Somberg, George McLain, Bruce Havighurst, George Petznick, Ralph Hodous, Dan Edwards, and junior George Gingold.

At the first meeting of the year, the chess club elected the following officers: Bruce Havighurst, president, George Gingold, secretary, and Bill Harrison, treasurer. Dan Edwards was appointed librarian and Mike Goldstein was named social chairman.

Gal-isthenics

Girls' Sports Clubs Feature New Yuletime Projects

With their initiations over, the three girls' athletic clubs began their new projects. In an effort to enrich their treasury, Girls' Gym Leaders conducted a fudge sale. Each leader was required to sell five pounds of fudge. The drive proved very successful.

For a Christmas project Swimming Leaders spent many weeks stuffing small animals for a children's home. Also, this year, the publicity, the printing, and the typing of programs for all the home swimming meets is being done by Swimming Leaders. They are also serving in the capacity of ushers.

At the December 10th swimming meet against Kent State High, eight Sharcs gave a demonstration in synchronized swimming. This Christmas routine was done to the music of "The Moon Is Blue." Participants in this routine were: Peggy Fox, Hetty Cowan, Elizabeth Gould, Nancy Jensen, Karen Macy, Trinky Quay, Sunny Shuster, Judy Wilkoff and alternate Linda Beamer. The girls plan to do this routine at future meets.

Many volley ball games have been played in the past three weeks. Some of these games were against Brush, Orange and Hathaway Brown.

The interclass volley ball tournament is scheduled to begin right after Christmas vacation.

Members of the junior volley ball varsity are: Barbara Biederman, Frankie Bramson, Paula Danaceau, Dianne Danka, Marilyn Evans, Carol Finney, Barbara Ganim, Sally Stillinger, Marilyn Telepak, Beverly Bell, Beverly Biederman, Beryl Douglas, Judi Sue Eglin, Joan Liebenthal, Connie Lewis, Anne McLellan, Norma Reiter and Andrea Williams.

Members of the sophomore varsity are: Martha Bolt, Jean Colbert, Nancy Croley, Madge Doude, Donna Grover, Rose Sander, Emilie Stark, Ginny Sifritt, Gwynn Williams, Linda Beamer, Susan Fay, Marcia Frankel, Carole Goldman, Joan Karlovec, Susan Kuhn, Linda Marchand, Toni Neumark and Dede Wolland.

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Swimming Squad Is Strong Contender to Repeat Title

Grapplers Drop Benedictine; Score Two Pins in First Meet

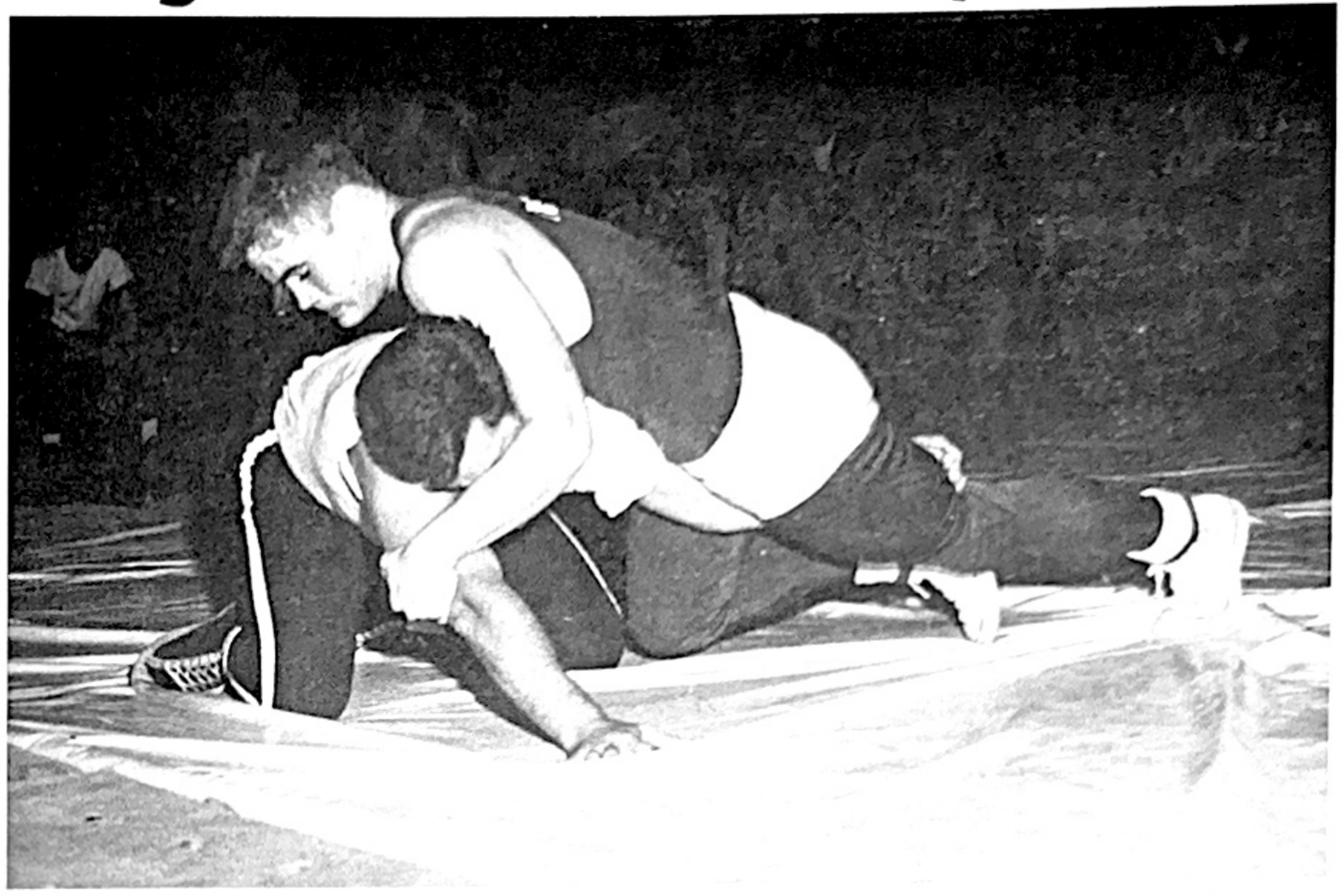
Starting strong in defense of their state championship, Shaker's wrestling crew downed their first 1954-55 opponent, Benedictine, by a 27-14 score. Led by Dave Evans and Dick Morris, both of whom scored pins, the Raiders took seven of the eleven matches on the program.

Although obviously inexperienced,, the grapplers showed great promise. All the matches were close, and even the Shaker boys who lost looked good. As the season progresses, experience should iron out some of the jitters and improve the squad rapidly.

Evans won in a thrilling climax, pinning his man with ten seconds remaining in the final period. Co-captain Jerry Weiss, at 112, won on a forfeit after his opponent suffered a shoulder injury during the match and could not continue.

Competition for varsity starting positions has been very keen and the boys who wrestle in the meets earn their berths the hard way. At the 120 classification there has been a close contest between Mel Levine and Dennis Donahue for a varsity starting position. The 133-pound class pits John Conner against Mike Gavlak. There has been stiff competition in almost all weight classes and this year's wrestling squad seems to be shaping up very well.

After the first eliminations the squad consisted of Tom Baldwin, 103; Captain Jerry Weiss, 112; Mel Levine, 120; Matt Von Baeyer, 127; John Conners, 133; George Brown, 138; Dave Evans, 145; Jim Comella, 154; Elroy Kirsh, 165; Larry Amato, 175; and Dick Morris, unlimited weight class.



Dick Morris, wrestling in the unlimited weight division, uses an arm hold to roll his Benedictine foe.

Cagers Down Brush In Opening Contest

In their first game, a pin-sized Shaker High basketball team demonstrated what can be done with a lot of good ball handling and aggressiveness. The greatly outsized squad have combined fight and scoring punch to form a team that might well prove outstanding. The ball game was a thrilling one, as the Red Raider hoopsters beat Brush by the score of 54-46.

Playing their game of slow, deliberate, control basketball, the Raiders ball-handled and shot their way to a big half-time lead. In the third quarter Brush employed a full court press that succeeded in cutting Shaker's lead to five points, but here the Raiders pulled together to maintain their winning margin.

Scrappy and determined, the boys all did an outstanding job and contributed individually to the victory. Ron Marchand led the scoring with seventeen points, followed by Corky Maniaci with 14. Jerry Rardin and Captain Earl Seidman also broke double figures with 11 and 10 points respectively.

Tonight the cagers travel to Lakewood to meet the always tough Rangers. This will provide another major test for the Raiders .

Intramurals Feature Basketball Tourney

Initiating the 1954 intramural boys' sports season is "King Basketball." Organization meetings have been held and certain decisions have been made under the supervision of Bob Rice.

Among these decisions is the forming of an intramural council, which will decide next year's policy for all sports. One of the important problems that will face the council is that of dividing the school into intramural sections.

There are nine teams participating in the basketball program: Cochrane's Yentas, Huettner's Hotshots, Fromson's Frenzied Five, Montlack's Moukies, Hoff's Hoopsters, Kwait's Kharacters, Jirus' Jerques, Richard's Pascudnyacs and Moore's Mousters.

The games are played without referees, the boys calling their own fouls, and taking the ball out-of-bounds. On jump balls the players throw fingers. Games end either when one team has scored thirty points and is ahead by two or more baskets or after a time limit of thirty minutes.

The tournament is being run in the Round Robin style. The champion will be determined on a percentage basis.

Following the intramural basketball season in the winter sports season will be the badminton tournament, which will consist of singles, doubles and mixed doubles matches. Next in line is intramural volleyball.

Tankmen Win First Two Meets To Defeat Heights, Lakewood

The Shaker tankers made the season's first dual meet an auspicious one by downing their cross-town rivals, Cleveland Heights. Heights was never a serious threat throughout the meet, and the only first place they attained was in diving, won by Dave Weber. The final score was 59-19, overwhelming proof that the Red Raiders again have maintained their swimming supremacy over the Tigers.

Outstanding individual performances of the meet was accomplished by Dave Broderick. Briderick captured a first in the 100-yard backstroke and was clocked in 1:05.4, eclipsing the former record of 1:06.6. Broderick also swam backstroke for the winning 180-yard medley relay team, which included Tom Wasserman, swimming breaststroke, and Mark Perry, swimming freestyle.

In a recap of the events, Captain Chuck Armington captured a first in the 40-yard freestyle, which was the first event of the afternoon. Wasserman won the 100-yard breaststroke, and Speed Olderman took a first in the 200-yard freestyle. Dick Wilson, who placed third in the 100-yard freestyle in last year's state meet, won his specialty with the very respectable time of 0:55.0. A junior, Pete Crumbine, placed first in the 120-yard individual medley, and the 160-yard freestyle relay team composed of Bill Steehler, Tom Ham, Jim Adler and Art Brooks ended the afternoon by copping a final first place for Shaker.

The Red Raiders splashed their way to what might be considered the most important victory of the year by defeating Lakewood 47-28. Lakewood, considered to be a top contender for the state title, did not live up to their pre-meet billing. The Rangers, however, did show outstanding strength in the backstroke won by Frank Vokoun and the 100-yard backstroke captured by Chuck Corns, the big factor in all events which was apparent throughout the meet.

In the freestyle evenis Captain Chuck Armington captured the 40, Speed Olderman the 200, and Dick Wilson the 100. Chick Tate placed first in the diving and Shaker defeated their opponents in both relay events.

The Shaker JayVee also participated in their first meet of the year and gave the Shakerite rooters a chance to judge the future varsity swimmers.

The Shaker tankers have so far qualified themselves to be considered as powerful defending champions. However, many important meets loom in the immediate future, particularly a return meet with Lakewood, and meets with Sandusky and at Bowling Green. The future holds much promise, but only time will be the telling factor.

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